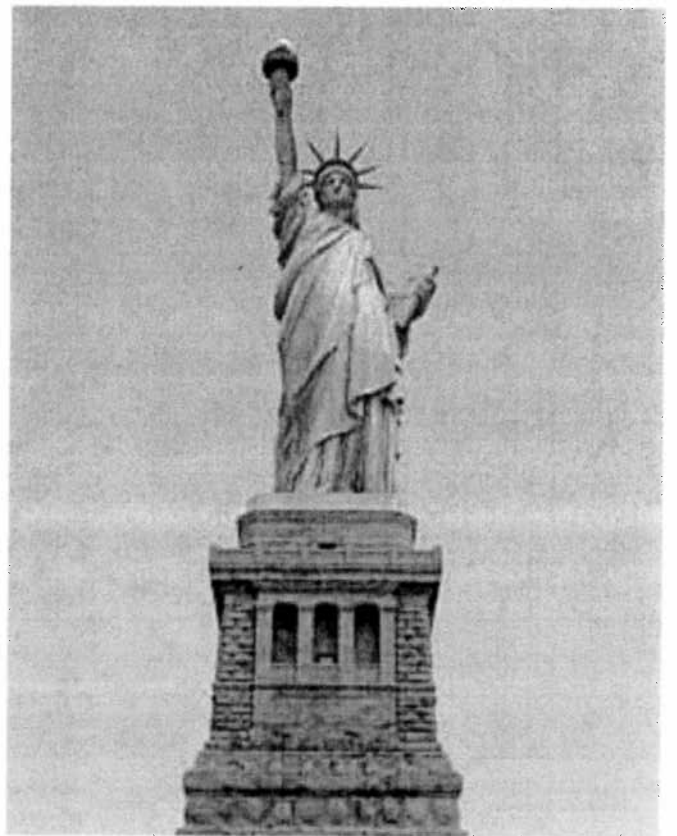




Immigration



Vocabulary

1. Immigrant: _____

2. Nationality: _____

3. Ethnic Group: _____

4. Assimilation: _____

5. "Melting Pot": _____

6. Refugee: _____

7. Deport: _____

8. Naturalization: _____

Notes

I. "Old" vs. "New" Immigration

- a. "Old Immigration"-Immigrants that came from roughly 1840 to 1860
 - i. Came mostly from Northern and Western Europe
 - 1. England
 - 2. Ireland
 - 3. France
 - 4. Germany
- b. "New Immigration"-Immigrants that came from roughly 1880 to 1900
 - i. Came mostly from Eastern and Southern Europe
 - 1. Italy
 - 2. Greece
 - 3. Poland
 - 4. Russia
 - 5. A growing number of Asians
 - a. While not a large portion of the overall U.S. population, immigrants from China, Japan, and Korea made up a significant percentage of the population in west coast states.

II. Reasons for Immigration

- a. A combination of factors lead to immigrants leaving their home countries and immigrating to the United States
 - i. Push Factors: Something that push people away from their homes in search of a new life.
 - ii. Pull Factors: Something that attract settlers to put down roots in a certain location.

III. Ellis Island

a. "Island of Hope, Island of Tears"

i. Very Joyous

1. Hopes of entering America
2. Family members were often reunited after days of medical screening

ii. Very Sad

1. Families occasionally had to split because some members were denied due to medical reasons while others chose to enter the U.S.
2. The experience of enduring medical screenings, mental health screening, trying to understand English and temporarily separation from one's family was quite stressful.

b. 1850-Castle Garden (original name) opens to protect U.S. from foreign diseases.

c. 1850-Ellis Island opened

i. The U.S. was competing with other countries. We wanted immigrants!

ii. Propaganda: "Streets were paved with gold."

d. 1897-Ellis Island burned to the ground, and then was rebuilt

e. Reason for Ellis Island

- i. Check-in point for immigrants (which was stressful)
- ii. Medical inspections
- iii. Mental testing

iv. Questioning about skills (literacy, work skills, etc...)

f. Facilities

i. Dances, sewing lessons, exercise room, playgrounds, and a variety of foods for different cultures.

g. By 1954, 12 -13 million immigrants passed through Ellis Island

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